

AT THE BOOK DEPOSITORY

Statements of Witnesses - Miss Doris BURNS, April 7, 1964, 6 H 397-9

She is a correspondent for the MacMillan Co. with her office on the third floor of the Book Depository Bldg. Her prior employment included "many years" as a legal secretary. She has been with MacMillan since 1955. Her office has a western exposure and her windows do not overlook Elm St. They overlook the railroad yards. She was listening to the radio as she worked, having lunched in her office. She left the office, ^{bought} ~~for~~ a box of Kleenex and returned. A Mrs. Case who she said hadn't gone out, was still in the office. (p.398)

She heard on the radio that the President was turning onto Houston at Main and decided to go to the window and look. She went to the American Book Co. office, "the office closest to us that had a window looking out on Elm." As she left to go to the office of Allyn and Bacon, because no one was in the American Book Co. office, she heard a shot. The manager, Mr. Wilson, who was at the window, said, "Oh, my God, there's been a shooting." By the time she got to the window the press bus was passing. She figured she'd missed the President and started back to her office; she had heard only one shot. She figured it was the last one. (Note all the other people who testified about the shots shaking and vibrating the building.) She was facing east and thought the shot came from her back, or from the west. She was in a hallway also.

Why she was called and why her testimony was taken I don't know unless they felt 26 volumes had to be filled up to the maximum.